

REMARKS

Following entry of this Amendment, claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11 and 13-15 are pending in the application. Applicants appreciate the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 6 and 12. The Office Action dated Dec. 15, 2005 rejects claims 1, 2, 4-5, 9 and 11-15 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Barber (U.S. Pat. No. 6,157,917) in view of "The Riddler, Microsoft's Really Hidden Files" (hereinafter referred to as "Riddler").

Rejections Based Upon 35 U.S.C. §103(a)

Independent claims have been amended to reflect the limitations of claims 6 and 12, including relevant portions of intervening claims. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the §103(a) rejections of claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11 and 13-15.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully submitted that all issues and rejections have been adequately addressed and that pending claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8 and 10, 11 and 13-15 are allowable and that the case should be advanced to issuance. If the Examiner has any questions or wishes to discuss the claims, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

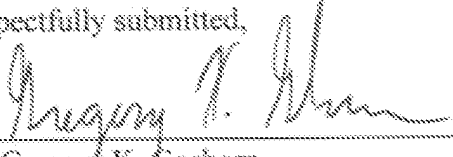
A Petition To Revive An Unintentionally Abandoned Application Under 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b) and a corresponding Statement are also submitted. Fees associated with the §1.137(b) Petition and Statement are being paid electronically in conjunction with this filing. It is believed that no other fees are due with the filing of this Response. However, should any fees be due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to the deposit account of Greg Goshorn, P.C., Deposit Account No. 50-2491.

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